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SUBJ: GOJ STUDYING TAX RESERVE PLAN FOR LOSSES IN LARGE SCALE PLANT
EXPORT DEALS

1. RECENT PRESS REPORTS HAVE INDICATED THAT GOJ MINISTRY OF
INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY (MITI) IS STUDYING ESTABLISH-
MENT OF A SYSTEM UNDER WHICH UP TO 25 PERCENT OF THE VALUE
OF A PROPOSED PLANT EXPORT TRANSACTION OF AT LEAST 100 BILLION
YEN IN VALUE COULD BE PUT ASIDE AS A RESERVE AGAINST LOSSES
THUS PROVIDING FAVORABLE TAX TREATMENT. PURPOSE OF THE
SYSTEM WOULD BE TO ENCOURAGE PLANT EXPORTS DURING TIMES OF
UNCERTAINTY AND TO PARTIALLY COMPENSATE FIRMS FOR ANY LOSSES
INCURRED

2. MITI OFFICIALS AS WELL AS INDUSTRY SOURCE (JAPAN
MACHINERY FEDERATION) HAVE CONFIRMED TO EMBASSY THAT SUCH
A SCHEME IS UNDER STUDY. ALL STRESS, THOUGH, THAT DETAILS
OF SCHEME, AS WELL AS QUESTION WHETHER SCHEME SHOULD
BE ADOPTED, REMAIN UNDECIDED. MITO OFFICIALS APPRECIATE
FACT THAT EXPORT PROMOTION SCHEME SUCH AS THIS, IF
ADOPTED, COULD SUBJECT JAPAN TO CRITICISM FROM OTHER
INDUSTRIAL COUNTRIES.

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3. COMMENT: AS WASHINGTON AGENCIES AWARE, PREVIOUS
FAVORABLE TAX TREATMENT FOR OVERSEAS MARKET DEVELOPMENT
AND ACCELERATED DEPRECIATION FOR SALES SEVERELY CRITI-
CIZED BY USG AND OTHERS AS JAPANESE EXPORT SUBSIDIES.
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